Statement

***Sub.** : Centrally Assisted Slum Development Programme in the States/UTs - Guidelines.*

A provision of Rs. 250 crores for slum development programme in the States has been made by the Ministry of Finance in the budget for 1996-97 as an additionality to the normal Central Assistance to the States/UTs. The State-wise allocation of Rs. 250 crores has been worked out by the Planning Commission on the basis of the estimated slum population in 1991. The following guidelines have been suggested for the utilisation of this amount.

1. OBJECTIVES AND COMPONENTS OF THE PROGRAMME :

The objectives of this programme shall be provision of adequate and satisfactory water supply, sanitation, primary education facilities, health care, pre-primary, adult literacy and non-formal education facilities etc. The scheme will also have as an objective, provision of housing, community empowerment, garbage and solid waste management, as well as environmental improvement and convergence of different social sector programmes through creation of sustainable support systems. The focus may be on community infrastructure, provision of shelter, empowerment of urban poor women, training, skill upgradation and advocacy and involvement of MGOs, CBOs, private institutions and other bodies.

2. ROLE OF URBAN LOCAL BODIES :

In keeping with the spirit of 74th Amendment, the existance of elected urban local bodies will be mandatory before funds can be released to new urban area. The programme envisages the urban local body as the nodal agency for the execution of this programme. Proposals for work to be undertaken under this programme must emanate from the CDSs in the form of a Community Plan, which will be forwarded by the ULB with appropriate comments to the DUDA for sanction. Execution of all works falling under the jurisdiction of the ULB may be done through the ULB as far as possible. The ULBs shall try to involve the CDSs in the execution, to the extent possible. As regards maintenance and repair of works carried out under this programme, the physical responsibility may be that of the CDSs concerned.

3. CONVERGENCE :

This programme may seek to ensure provision of certain identified basic minimum services, within each slum. The Programme may provide for facilities not provided elsewhere in the line department schemes, the absence of which makes effective implementation of these social sector schemes ineffective. In other words, missing links will be provided under this programme. However, this may be clearly subject to the proviso that, funds under convergence will be a source of supplementing line department efforts to achieve better delivery of social sector schemes and under no circumstances will these funds be used to substitute line department schemes or parts thereof.

4. The State Governments should bring in their own funds bearing some proportion to the funds given by the Centre.

5. MONITORING :

At the State level, the programme will regularly be monitored by the State Urban Development Authority (SUDA), which may issue necessary guidance as well as instructions to the District Urban Development Authorities (DUDAs) and ULBs. At the national level, the programme will be monitored by the Department of Urban Employment and Poverty Alleviation.

Eulogisation of Militancy

3429. SHRI I.D. SWAMI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 6236 dated 14th May, 1997 regarding Eulogisation of militancy and state :

(a) whether the requisite information has since been collected;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to remove 1103 hardcore Jamaite-e-Islami activists who have been absorbed as teachers by the Jammu and Kashmir Government during the last seven years of militancy in the State; and

(c) the preventive measures proposed or taken by the Government to ensure no further infiltration of such elements in the services of Jammu and Kashmir Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Pakistani Nationals

3430. SHRI DHIRENDRA AGARWAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Pakistani nationals visited India with requisite passport/visa during 1996-97 and the number of Indian nationals visited Pakistan;

(b) the number of Pakistani nationals returned after the expiry of prescribed period and the number of nationals who got extension of this period; and